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Applicant(s): NISHIHARA	Atty. Dkt.: 32-001
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Title: FOLDING KNIFE WITH LOCK MECHANISM	

Commissioner for Patents
Arlington, VA 22202

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the reference(s) listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is/are being submitted for consideration by the Examiner without any admission that it/they constitute(s) statutory prior art, or without any admission that it/they contain(s) subject matter that anticipates the invention or renders the invention obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

The Examiner is requested to initial the attached PTO Form-1449 and to return a copy of same to the undersigned attorney as proof that the listed reference(s) has/have been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,



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REFERENCE DESIGNATION

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS
		6,553,672	Apr. 29, 2003	Glessner et al.		
		6,145,202	Nov. 14, 2000	Onion		
		5,822,866	Oct. 20, 1998	Pardue		
		5,819,414	Oct. 13, 1998	Marifone		
		5,615,484	Apr. 1, 1997	Pittman		
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		5,111,581	May 12, 1992	Collins		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

TRANSLATION

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	YES	NO

* Full English text of the JP Document will be available in machine-translated form from JP (Japanese Patent Office) English language web site at <http://www1.jpdl.jpo.go.jp/PA1/cgi-bin/PA1INDEX>.

OTHER REFERENCES (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

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